

Dunlap Ranch, Homestead House
Belle Ayr Coal Mine Permit Area
13 Miles south of Gillette
Campbell County
Wyoming

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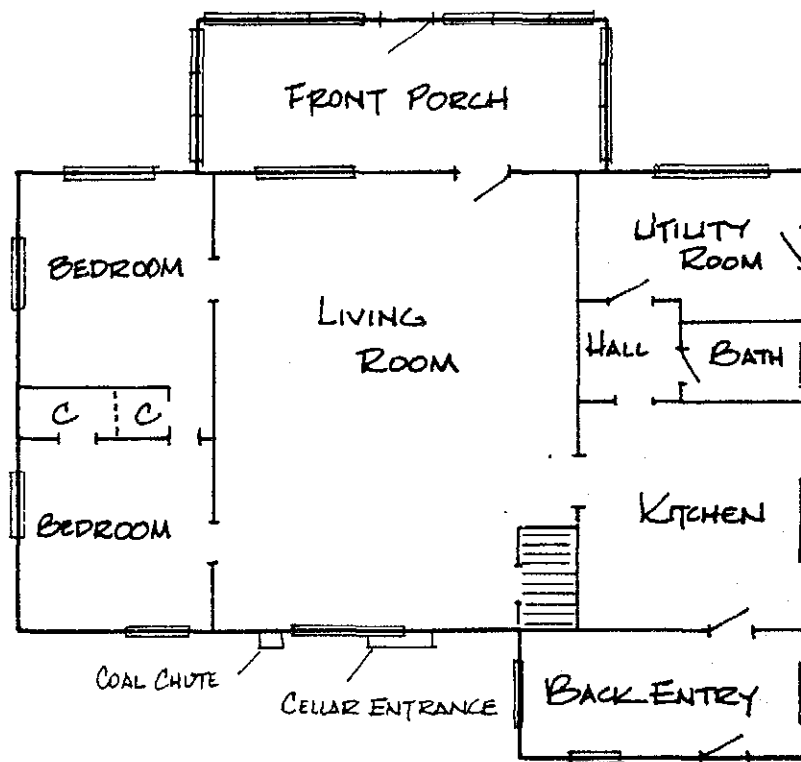
History and Description:

A one and one-half story wood frame dwelling (Feature F) is located on the south side of the road and is the homestead house of Charles Oscar Dunlap. It was constructed in 1914 (see Photos WY-112-F-1 to WY-112-F-2). The building has a modified gable roof covered with wood shingles, and the exterior walls are covered with stucco painted white. The basic dimensions of the building are 24' N-S x 40' E-W. The building rests on a stone foundation and has a partial basement with an outside entrance and a coal chute. There is a hipped-roofed enclosed porch (20' E-W x 8' N-S) built onto the north elevation. This is the main entrance and provides access to the living room. The ceiling has tongue and groove wood paneling, and there is a wood floor.

A small gable-roofed addition (14'2" E-W x 6'7" N-S) is built onto the south elevation. It also has an entrance and provides access to the kitchen area. Both of these entrances have aluminum storm doors and wood panel inner doors. There is a third entrance with a wooden door in the east elevation that leads to a utility room. There are narrow shed-roofed dormers built into the roof peak in the east and west elevations. There is an internal brick chimney rising from the roof that has been cut into the east dormer and partially covers one window, indicating that the chimney post-dates the dormer. Windows are typically one over one-light and two over two-light double-hung units with wood frames. There are also large rectangular one-light units, and one opening has been modified to accommodate a picture window in the south elevation.

The interior of the building is divided into a living room, a kitchen, two bedrooms, a bath, and a utility room. There are stairs leading to the basement and the second floor. However, the second floor was never converted into a living area. The interior has been remodeled, and many of the plaster lath walls have been covered with composition wood paneling. Acoustic tile has been applied to the ceiling of the living room. It is sagging and falling to the floor due to water leaks. There is a stone-lined area for a woodstove in the living room. All rooms have hardwood floors.

For more information: see Dunlap Ranch, HABS No. WY-112.



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CHARLES OSCAR DUNLAP HOMESTEAD HOUSE

